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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed June 27, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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Therefore, the claims are enabled because the specification provides appropriate guidance, working examples, and prediction of function based on observed properties of the claimed polypeptide such that one of skill in the art could practice the invention as claimed, in the absence of undue experimentation.

For these reasons, Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection, including as it may be applied to the amended claims, be withdrawn.

Conclusion

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that pending claims 7 and 16-28 are in condition for allowance, or are in better condition for appeal. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned representative if there are any questions relating to this submission. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be associated with this communication, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1896.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: December 20, 2005

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